Regional Telecommunications Council V Teleconference Meeting Minutes August 21, 2013 (4:00 p.m.)

Call to Order:

Scott Fosseen called the Regional Telecommunications Council V meeting to order.

Roll Call:

RTC 5 members present

Scott Fosseen

Janet Boyd

Jan McNeil

Jan Merz

Jerry Chizek

Jeff Kruse

Scott Kehrberg

Cindy Heuton (for Kathy Schmidt)

Approval of RTC Minutes (3/21/12, 7/11/12, 3/13/13, and 7/31/13)

Jan Merz made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jerry Chizek seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

Position of Chair-Jan McNeil nominated Scott Fosseen. Jan Merz seconded the motion. Nominations ceased. No objections. Motion carried.

Position of Secretary – Jan Merz nominated Kathy Goebel. Nominations ceased. No objections. Motion carried.

Tabled Agenda Item #4 until next meeting - Welcome new RTC V member-Kathy Schmidt

Technicians Report:

Scott Fosseen- busy summer for schools in Region III & V has increased over 300 mega bandwidth this summer. Last year the average was 35 meg/second for schools. Helping schools with requests for switching equipment.

Jeff Nelsen-was out of town responding to work order. No technicians report.

ICN Update/McGinty:

The summer has been busy state wide; data circuit from ICN and aggregate it to the AEA's. Demand for more bandwidth keeps rising due to more 1 to 1 schools. Received grant to increase demand as needed for bandwidth. Voice over IP is a leased service and eRate eligible coming soon. More pricing info available for 2014-2015 school year. Received grant for 85 hospitals to increase bandwidth. This will assist the hospitals with x-rays for analysis and assisting doctor evaluations.

ILO Update (Nagel):

Gwen Nagel wasn't present but sent an update. The Ed Reform Bill allowed the ILO to receive \$1.5 million for three consecutive years (total of \$4.5 million) to scale up the ILO program and serve more students and to offer a complete "offer and teach" curriculum. Partial launch of this program is set for the 2014 spring semester and full lunch is scheduled for the 2014 fall semester. The legislation also provided three additional FTE's at the Department of Education for the ILO program.

FY 2014 RTC 5 Budget:

A motion by Jan Merz was made to approve the budget as written. Jeff Kruse seconded the motion. A motion to amend the budget to reflect the updated ICN Scheduler costs (\$56,106) was made by Jan Merz. Jeff Kruse seconded the motion. No objections. Budget was approved as amended.

Upcoming RTC teleconference meeting dates:

November 13, 2013

March 12, 2014